

### **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application; please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of protecting a glued wood-based product comprising:

applying triadimefon and/or triadimenol to an alkaline glue or glue system that is subsequently added to the glued wood-based product during the manufacturing thereof~~process of the glued wood-based product.~~

2. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 1, wherein the wood-based product is formed from materials selected from the group consisting of~~chosen from~~ wood fiber, wood chip, wood ~~or flake~~, thin wood veneer, plywood, laminated veneer lumber (LVL), medium density fiberboard (MDF), waferboard, [[/]]strandboard, [[/]]oriented strandboard (OSB), and particleboard, and mixtures thereof.

3. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim[[s]] 1, wherein the triadimefon and/or triadimenol are applied as a mixture with a the alkaline glue or glue system~~used during the manufacturing of the glued wood-based product.~~

4. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 3, wherein the mixture of the alkaline glue or glue system and triadimefon and/or triadimenol is applied to the glued wood-based product by glue-line addition.

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 3, wherein the mixture of the alkaline glue or glue system and triadimefon and/or triadimenol further comprises at least one further active fungicide.

6. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim[[s]] 5, wherein the further fungicide is ~~chosen from~~ tebuconazole, and cyproconazole, or a mixture thereof.

7. (Currently Amended) A composition comprising:

an alkaline glue or glue system, and

at least one triadimefon and/or triadimenol.

8. (Currently Amended) The composition according to Claim 7, further comprising at least one further active fungicide or insecticide.

9. (Currently Amended) The composition according to Claim 7, further comprising at least one solvent, said solvent being compatible with the alkaline glue or glue system or suspended or emulsified in water.

10. (Currently Amended) An article comprising:

a glued wood-based product, said glued wood-based product comprising containing triadimefon and/or triadimenol, the composition according to Claim 7.

11. (Currently Amended) The method according to Claim 3, wherein the mixture of the alkaline glue or glue system and said triadimefon and/or triadimenol further comprises at least one further active insecticide.

12. (Previously Presented) The composition according to Claim 9, wherein said solvent is water.

13. (NEW) The method according to Claim 1, wherein said alkaline glue or glue system is selected from the group consisting of a urea based system, a urea-phenol based system, a phenol-melamine(formaldehyde)resin system, a melamine(formaldehyde)-urea resin system; a polyvinyl alcohol based system; a polymeric methylene diphenyldiisocyanate system, and mixtures thereof.

14. (NEW) The method according to Claim 13, wherein said alkaline glue or glue system has a pH greater than or equal to 8.

15. (NEW) The composition according to Claim 7, wherein said alkaline glue or glue system is selected from the group consisting of a urea based system, a urea-phenol based system, a phenol-melamine(formaldehyde)resin system, a

melamine(formaldehyde)-urea resin system; a polyvinyl alcohol based system; a polymeric methylene diphenyldiisocyanate system, and mixtures thereof.

16. (NEW) The composition according to Claim 15, wherein said alkaline glue or glue system has a pH greater than or equal to 8.

17. (NEW) A method for protecting a glued wood-based product comprising:

applying to the glued wood-based product during its manufacture a wood-based product preservative having as its active ingredient a fungicide selected from the group consisting of triadimefon, triadimenol, and a mixture thereof.

18. (NEW) A method for protecting a glued wood-based product comprising:

applying to the glued wood-based product during its manufacture a wood-based product preservative having as its active ingredient a fungicide selected from the group consisting of triadimefon, triadimenol, tebuconazole, cyproconazole, and a mixture thereof.